

S. 1774. A bill for the relief of Hotaru Nakama Ferschke; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. BENNET, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. DODD):

S. 1775. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide that interest shall not accrue on Federal Direct Loans for members of the Armed Forces on active duty regardless of the date of disbursement; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 1776. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the update under the Medicare physician fee schedule for years beginning with 2010 and to sunset the application of the sustainable growth rate formula, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado:

S. 1777. A bill to facilitate the remediation of abandoned hardrock mines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. BOND):

S. Res. 311. A resolution encouraging the United States Trade Representative to pursue a free trade agreement between the United States and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. BOND):

S. Res. 312. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on empowering and strengthening the United States Agency for International Development (USAID); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. BENNETT):

S. Res. 313. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Red Ribbon Week, 2009; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 640

At the request of Mr. LEMIEUX, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 640, a bill to provide Congress a second look at wasteful spending by establishing enhanced rescission authority under fast-track procedures.

S. 654

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 654, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services delivered by podiatric physicians to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care.

S. 659

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) was added as a cospon-

sor of S. 659, a bill to improve the teaching and learning of American history and civics.

S. 831

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 831, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to include service after September 11, 2001, as service qualifying for the determination of a reduced eligibility age for receipt of non-regular service retired pay.

S. 870

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 870, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the credit for renewable electricity production to include electricity produced from biomass for on-site use and to modify the credit period for certain facilities producing electricity from open-loop biomass.

S. 883

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. CORKER), the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) were added as cosponsors of S. 883, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the establishment of the Medal of Honor in 1861, America's highest award for valor in action against an enemy force which can be bestowed upon an individual serving in the Armed Services of the United States, to honor the American military men and women who have been recipients of the Medal of Honor, and to promote awareness of what the Medal of Honor represents and how ordinary Americans, through courage, sacrifice, selfless service and patriotism, can challenge fate and change the course of history.

S. 994

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. LEMIEUX) was added as a cosponsor of S. 994, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase awareness of the risks of breast cancer in young women and provide support for young women diagnosed with breast cancer.

S. 1012

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1012, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the centennial of the establishment of Mother's Day.

S. 1019

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1019, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for the purchase of hearing aids.

S. 1065

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1065, a bill to authorize State and local governments to direct divestiture from, and prevent investment in, companies with investments of \$20,000,000 or more in Iran's energy sector, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. BROWNBAC, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1065, *supra*.

S. 1121

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1121, a bill to amend part D of title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide grants for the repair, renovation, and construction of elementary and secondary schools, including early learning facilities at the elementary schools.

S. 1326

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1326, a bill to amend the American Recovery and Reinvestment Tax Act of 2009 to clarify the low-income housing credits that are eligible for the low-income housing grant election, and for other purposes.

S. 1340

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1340, a bill to establish a minimum funding level for programs under the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 for fiscal years 2010 to 2014 that ensures a reasonable growth in victim programs without jeopardizing the long-term sustainability of the Crime Victims Fund.

S. 1341

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1341, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose an excise tax on certain proceeds received on SILO and LILO transactions.

S. 1382

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1382, a bill to improve and expand the Peace Corps for the 21st century, and for other purposes.

S. 1389

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1389, a bill to clarify